

Docket No.: 060188-0778



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 53080
Masahiro FUKUI, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 7654
Application No.: 10/809,462	:	Group Art Unit: 2825
Filed: March 26, 2004	:	Examiner: Quoc Dinh HOANG

For: WIRING METHOD IN LAYOUT DESIGN OF SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT, SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT AND FUNCTIONAL MACRO

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Noting the Office Action of January 18, 2007 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant hereby elects Embodiment 9 and identifying claims 22 and 23 as readable thereon, for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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